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REPORT

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TOPIC Soviet Troop Movements in the BURG-GENTHIN-BRANDENBURG Area

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1. A convoy of trucks, occupied by troops and towing several guns, was observed passing through BRANDENBURG (N 53/Z 23) and proceeding towards RACHENOW (N 53/Z 15).

2. Two convoys, each with two passenger cars occupied by officers, one office truck, one truck loaded with furniture, four trucks towing AA guns of about 50 mm caliber on four-wheel mounts and one truck towing a canvas-covered device on a four-wheel carriage (charging unit or searchlight), were observed halting near BURG (M 53/Y 81) on the BURG-BRANDENBURG road in the evening.

3. Motorized columns of 350 to 400 motor vehicles were observed in GENTHIN (M 54/Z 03), proceeding towards TANGERMUNDE (M 53/Y 84). ***

The following data were secured:

- a. Convoys coming from the direction of ZIESSAR (M 53/Z 01):

(1) Convoy of trucks and four armored reconnaissance cars. The trucks, marked with artillery insignia and some loaded with boards, planks and equipment

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(2) Convoy of 20 to 30 trucks

(3) A convoy, largely consisting of amphibian cars

(4) Convoy of 20 to 30 trucks

(5) Two large amphibian vehicles

(6) Several convoys of 10 to 20 trucks each

(7) Truck convoy towing short-barreled guns of about 120 mm caliber.

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b. Convoys coming from the direction of PARCHIM (M 53/Y 02)-
BURG:

(1) Convoy of tank trucks

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(2) Convoy of trucks towing light AA guns.

(3) Convoy of trucks towing AT guns.

(4) Convoy of trucks, occupied by troops or loaded with
mortars.

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(5) Truck convoy, occupied by infantry troops

(6) Staff car occupied by a general.

(7) Convoy of trucks with mounted AA machine guns.

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4. A convoy of six trucks towing 120-mm guns passed through
PRELNITZ (M 53/Z 14) and proceeded toward BRANDENBURG.

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Comment:

Large-scale maneuvers were scheduled to be held in the
 ZIESSAR-BOEKE (N 53/Z 12) - GLIENICKE (N 52/Z 12) - STEIN-
 BERG (N 53/Z 11) - GREBS (N 53/Z 11) - MAHLSDORF (N 53/Z 10)
 GROSSBRIESSEN and KLEINBRIESSEN (N 53/Z 21) area

The farmers of that area were ordered to have their fields harvested by that date.

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*** Convoys of all component units of the Third Shock Army. 50X1-HUM

the convoys observed in GENTHIN presumably were en route to their permanent quartering areas,

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The observation of the 12th Gds Tank Div) among the convoys again indicates that some component units of the Second Gds Army also participated in these maneuvers.

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